FISCAL NOTE

SB 3738 - HB 3844

March 29, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a pharmacist, when making substitutions, to use drugs and drug products manufactured within any state or country if the products have been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and have been given an "A" therapeutic equivalent rating.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently, a pharmacist may use FDA approved drugs and drug products manufactured within the United States or another country. Requiring that the drug has to be "A" rated by the FDA will not result in a significant increase in expenditures.
- The Department of Health currently adheres to the provisions of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director